

Yeas : Messrs. Grimes, Hart, Latimer, Moffett, Parker and Taylor—6.

Nays : Messrs. Brashear, Burleson, Campbell, McRae, Portis, Robertson, Truit, Van Derlip, Ward and Wallace—10.

On motion of Mr. Wallace, the rule was suspended by the following vote :

Yeas : Messrs. Brashear, Burleson, Campbell, Grimes, Latimer, McRae, Moffett, Parker, Portis, Taylor, Truit, Van Derlip, Ward and Wallace—14.

Nays : Messrs. Hart and Robertson—2.

The bill was then read third time and passed by the following vote :

Yeas : Messrs. Brashear, Burleson, Campbell, McRae, Moffett, Parker, Portis, Robertson, Taylor, Truit, Van Derlip, Ward and Wallace—13.

Nays : Messrs. Grimes, Hart and Latimer—3.

On motion, the Senate adjourned until 9 o'clock, to-morrow morning.

SATURDAY, November 30, 1850.

The Senate was called to order by the President—Senators present : Messrs. Brashear, Burleson, Cooke, Campbell, Gage, Grimes, Hart, Kinney, Latimer, McRae, Moffett, Parker, Portis, Robertson, Taylor, Truit, Van Derlip, Ward and Wallace.

The journal of yesterday was read and adopted.

Mr. Wallace, from the Judiciary committee, to which was referred a bill to provide for the final adjustment of the public debt of the late Republic of Texas ; reported a substitute therefor.

Mr. Wallace, chairman of the committee on Enrolled Bills, made the following report :

The committee on Enrolled Bills have examined the following bills, and find them correctly enrolled :

An act to amend the first section of an act to incorporate the Galveston and Brazos Navigation Company.

An act to amend the second and seventh section of an act to organize the Supreme Court of the State of Texas, approved the 12th of May, 1846.

An act to authorize the settlers in Peters' Colony to intervene in suit or suits, in reference to any matter connected with said Colony contracts, where they have an interest; and

An act concerning the book or register of land certificates, issued by the Board of Land Commissioners for the county of Harris, which was at one time mislaid, but the book has subsequently been found and identified as genuine and unaltered.

Mr. Robertson, chairman of the committee on Private Land Claims, to which was referred a bill for the relief of John W. R. Tilden; reported the same back and recommended it to the favorable consideration of the Senate.

ORDERS OF THE DAY.

A bill for the relief of Berry Merchant. Read third time and passed.

A bill for the relief of William Cummins. Read third time and passed.

A bill for the relief of Martha McMillan. Read third time and passed.

A bill for the relief of John Bethea. Read third time and passed.

On motion of Mr. Wallace, the rule requiring reports to lie on the table one day, was suspended, and the report of the Judiciary committee on a bill to provide for the final adjustment of the public debt of the late Republic of Texas, was taken up and placed among the orders of the day.

A bill to amend the sixth section of an act concerning slaves, approved 5th February, 1840. Read third time.

Mr. Brashear moved to amend the bill as follows:

"Provided, that the provisions hereof shall not apply to Harris county."

On motion of Mr. Grimes, the amendment was amended, by adding the counties of Montgomery, Walker and Grimes.

The yeas and nays were then called on the adoption of the amendment, and were as follows:

Yeas: Messrs. Brashear, Burleson, Campbell, Grimes, Hart, Kinney, McRae, Parker, Taylor, Truit, Van Derlip, Ward and Wallace—13.

Nays: Messrs. Cooke, Gage, Latimer and Moffett—4. Amendment adopted.

On motion of Mr. Wallace, the bill was recommitted to the committee on State Affairs.

On motion of Mr. Brashear, a bill for the relief of Stephen J. Sparks, was taken up. Read second time.

On motion of Mr. Parker, referred to the committee on Private Land Claims.

A bill for the relief of Alanson Ferguson. Read third time and passed.

On motion of Mr. Burleson, a bill regulating the pay of certain volunteers who served in 1842, with the amendments offered by him, were taken up, and by leave, amendments withdrawn, and bill read second time.

Mr. Wallace moved to lay the bill on the table, and make it the special order for 3 o'clock, this evening. Lost, and bill passed to a third reading.

A bill to provide for the final adjustment of the Public Debt of the late Republic of Texas; together with the report of the committee on the Judiciary, offering a substitute therefor; was read, and substitute adopted.

Mr. Portis offered the following amendment, as an additional section :

"SEC. 2. *Be it further enacted*, That the sum of six hundred and eleven thousand and seven hundred and eighty-four dollars and fifty cents, that sum being the whole amount for which duties on imports were specially pledged, having been adjusted by the Auditor and Comptroller, is hereby confirmed and asked to be set apart by the Congress of the United States, under the proviso of the second section of an act entitled an act

, and the remainder of the five millions retained in the Treasury of the United States, be asked to be paid over to the State of Texas, according to the provisions of said law."

Mr. Robertson moved to lay the bill on the table. Lost.

The question then recurred on the amendment of Mr. Portis, which was rejected.

Mr. Wallace moved to amend the bill by inserting the words "the interest on," after the word "which," in seventh line of second section.

Mr. Robertson moved to amend the amendment by adding "the amount of interest on said fund to be computed by the Comptroller."

Accepted by Mr. Wallace, and amendment adopted.

The bill was then ordered to be engrossed.

On motion of Mr. Van Derlip, the rule was suspended; bill read third time and passed, by the following vote:

Yeas: Messrs. Brashear, Campbell, Gage, Kinney, Taylor, Truit, Van Derlip and Wallace—8.

Nays: Messrs. Cooke, Grimes, Hart, Latimer, Parker, Robertson and Ward—7.

Mr. Kinney introduced a joint resolution proposing to the people a division of the State into two or more States, and au-

thorizing them to express their opinion upon the subject at the general election, in August, 1851. Read first time.

Mr. Kinney moved to suspend the rule requiring bills to be read on three several days. Lost, by the following vote:

Yeas: Messrs. Cooke, Campbell, Gage, Grimes, Kinney, Robertson, Van Derlip and Wallace—8.

Nays: Messrs. Brashear, Burleson, Hart, Latimer, Moffett, Parker, Taylor, Truit and Ward—9.

Mr. Parker, from the committee on Private Land Claims, to whom was referred a bill for the relief of Stephen J. Sparks; reported a substitute therefor, and recommended it to the favorable consideration of the Senate.

On motion of Mr. Cooke, the rule requiring reports to lie on the table one day, was suspended, and report taken up; substitute adopted, and bill ordered to be engrossed.

On motion of Mr. Moffett, the rule requiring bills to be read on three several days, was suspended, by the following vote:

Yeas: Messrs. Brashear, Burleson, Cooke, Campbell, Gage, Grimes, Latimer, Moffett, Parker, Robertson, Taylor, Truit, Van Derlip and Ward—14.

Nays: Mr. Hart—1.

The bill was then read a third time and passed.

A message was received from the House, informing the Senate that the House had adopted a substitute for the Senate's bill better to regulate the election of Judges of the Supreme Court; also, that the House had adopted the Senate's resolution, relative to an adjournment, with amendments.

The Senate refused to concur in the amendments of the House to the resolution of adjournment, by the following vote:

Yeas: Messrs. Cooke, Gage and Parker—3.

Nays: Messrs. Brashear, Burleson, Campbell, Grimes, Hart, Latimer, Moffett, Robertson, Taylor, Truit, Van Derlip and Ward—12.

The Senate refused to adopt the substitute of the House to a bill better to regulate the election of Judges of the Supreme Court, by the following vote:

Yeas: Messrs. Cooke, Campbell, Hart, Latimer, Parker, Robertson, Taylor and Ward—8.

Nays: Messrs. Brashear, Burleson, Gage, Grimes, Kinney, Portis, Truit, Van Derlip and Wallace—9.

A bill authorizing the Governor to employ counsel in the Supreme Court of the State, in cases where the present Attorney General has been employed. Read and passed to a third reading

On motion of Mr. Campbell, the rule was suspended; bill read third time and passed.

Mr. Ward, from the committee on Enrolled Bills, made the following report :

The Joint Enrolling committee have presented the following acts to the Governor for his inspection ; the same having been signed by the Speaker of the House and President of the Senate, viz :

An act to amend the second and seventh sections of an act to organize the Supreme Court of the State of Texas, approved 12th of May, 1846.

An act to amend the first section of an act entitled an act to incorporate the Galveston and Brazos Navigation Company.

An act to authorize the settlers in Peters' Colony to intervene in suit or suits, in reference to any matter connected with said Colony contracts, where they have an interest ; and

An act concerning the book or register of land certificates, issued by the Board of Land Commissioners for the county of Harris, which was at one time mislaid, but the book has subsequently been found and identified as genuine and unaltered.

Mr. Burleson asked, and obtained leave to withdraw from the Senate, a bill for the relief of J. W. E. Wallace; and the petition of Nathaniel Townsend.

On motion of Mr. Hart, the Senate adjourned until 3 o'clock, P. M.

3 O'CLOCK, P. M.

The Senate met—quorum present.

Mr. Grimes introduced a bill making an appropriation to pay the contingent expenses of the two Houses of the Legislature, and printing at the extra session, convened the 18th November, 1850. Read first time.

On motion of Mr. Grimes, the rule was suspended ; bill read second time, and ordered to be engrossed.

On motion of Mr. Gage, the rule was further suspended ; bill read third time and passed.

Mr. Robertson, chairman of the committee on State Affairs, to whom was referred a bill to amend an act concerning slaves, approved the 5th February, 1840 ; reported the same back to the Senate, and recommended that the following proviso be added to the end of the first section :

“ Provided, that nothing herein contained shall be so con-

strued as to interfere with, or in any way affect the right of incorporated towns and cities in this State from making and enforcing their own police regulations, except so far as relates to the carrying of fire-arms."

And that the following proviso be stricken out :

" Provided, that the counties of Ellis, Tarrant, Navarro, Harris, Walker, Montgomery and Grimes, be, and they are hereby exempt from the operations of the law, so far as it relates to negroes being prevented from carrying fire-arms." And recommended the adoption of the amendments, and the passage of the bill.

On motion of Mr. Robertson, the rule requiring reports to lie on the table one day, was suspended, and bill and report taken up, and the first amendment adopted.

The yeas and nays were called on the adoption of the second amendment, and were as follows :

Yeas : Messrs. Burleson, Campbell, Gage, Kinney, McRae, Parker, Portis, Robertson, Van Derlip, Ward and Wallace—12

Nays : Messrs. Brashear, Cooke, Grimes, Hart, Latimer and Truit—6.

Adopted, and bill passed to a third reading, by the following vote :

Yeas : Messrs. Burleson, Cooke, Kinney, Latimer, Parker, Portis, Robertson, Van Derlip, Ward and Wallace—10.

Nays : Messrs. Brashear, Campbell, Gage, Grimes, Hart and Truit—6.

Mr. Robertson moved to suspend the rule requiring bills to be read on three several days. Lost, by the following vote :

Yeas : Messrs. Burleson, Cooke, Gage, Kinney, Parker, Portis, Robertson, Van Derlip, Ward and Wallace—10.

Nays : Messrs. Brashear, Campbell, Grimes, Hart, Latimer and Truit—6.

Lost, four-fifths not voting for it.

Joint resolution upon the fugitive slave law. Read second time.

On motion of Mr. Grimes, referred to the committee on State Affairs.

A bill for the relief of Mary Alexander. Read second time, and ordered to be engrossed.

On motion of Mr. Wallace, the rule was suspended ; bill read third time and passed.

Report of the committee on Finance on a bill concerning the school fund. Read.

On motion of Mr. Grimes, laid on the table.

Mr. Robertson moved that the Secretary of the Senate request the House of Representatives to return to the Senate, the resolution relative to adjournment.

Upon which, the yeas and nays were as follows :

Yeas : Messrs. Burleson, Cooke, Campbell, Gage, Grimes, Parker, Robertson, Truit and Wallace—9.

Nays : Messrs. Hart, Kinney, Latimer, Portis, Van Derlip and Ward—6. Carried.

A bill for the relief of Stokely D. Choate. Read and passed to a third reading.

On motion of Mr. Parker, the rule was suspended ; bill read third time and passed.

A message was received from the House, informing the Senate that the House had passed a bill to provide for the safe and profitable investment of the school fund ; and that the Senate insist on their amendments to the resolution relative to adjournment.

A bill to provide for the safe and profitable investment of the school fund. Read first time.

On motion of Mr. Portis, the rule was suspended ; bill read second time.

Mr. Grimes moved to refer the bill to the committee on Finance. Lost.

Mr. Parker moved to refer it to the committee on Education. Lost.

The bill was then passed to a third reading, by the following vote :

Yeas : Messrs. Brashear, Burleson, Cooke, Campbell, Gage, Kinney, Portis, Robertson, Ward and Wallace—10.

Nays : Messrs. Grimes, Hart, Latimer, McRae, Parker and Truit—6.

On motion of Mr. Robertson, the rule was further suspended ; bill read third time and passed, by the following vote :

Yeas : Messrs. Brashear, Burleson, Cooke, Campbell, Gage, Kinney, Portis, Robertson, Van Derlip and Wallace—10.

Nays : Messrs. Grimes, Hart, Latimer, McRae, Parker, Truit and Ward—7.

Mr. Robertson moved a reconsideration of the vote which refused to adopt the amendment of the House to the resolution relative to adjournment.

Upon which, the yeas and nays were as follows :

Yeas : Messrs. Burleson, Cooke, Campbell, Gage, Parker, Robertson, Truit and Wallace—8.

Nays : Messrs. Brashear, Grimes, Hart, Kinney, Latimer, McRae, Portis, Van Derlip and Ward—9.

Refused to reconsider.

A message was received from the House, informing the Senate that the House had passed a bill of the Senate, supplementary to an act to secure to the German Emigration Company, the lands to which they are entitled, with amendments.

Mr. Wallace, chairman of the committee on Enrolled Bills, made the following report :

The committee on Enrolled Bills have examined the following bills, and find them correctly enrolled.

A bill to be entitled an act to require the Commissioner of the General Land Office to issue patents for land therein named.

A bill to be entitled an act for the relief of Peter Lopez and Henry Tierwester ; and

A bill to be entitled an act for the benefit of certain persons therein named.

A message was received from the House, informing the Senate that the House had passed the following bills, which originated in the Senate, viz :

A bill requiring the Commissioner appointed by an act creating the county of Hunt, approved April 11th, 1846, to deliver up certain documents and moneys therein mentioned.

A bill for the relief of John Beeman, John S. Beeman and James S. Beeman ; and

A bill for the relief of Lewis Munroe Mays.

Mr. Robertson moved to suspend the rule requiring bills to be read on three several days, in order that a bill regulating the pay of certain volunteers who served in 1842, might be taken up and read third time.

Upon which, the yeas and nays were as follows :

Yeas : Messrs. Burleson, Cooke, Campbell, Gage, Kinney, Latimer, Portis, Robertson, Van Derlip and Ward—10.

Nays ; Messrs. Grimes, Hart, Parker, Truit and Wallace—5.
Lost, four-fifths not voting for it.

The Senate concurred in the amendments of the House to Senate's bill, supplementary to an act to secure to the German Emigration Company the land to which they are entitled.

Mr. Latimer moved that a committee of three be appointed to wait on the Governor, and inform him that there is a disagreement between the two Houses, relative to an adjournment.

Mr. Wallace moved to lay the motion on the table. Lost.

On motion of Mr. Latimer, the yeas and nays were then called, which were as follows :

Yeas : Messrs. Grimes, Hart, Kinney, Latimer, Portis, Robertson, Truit and Van Derlip—8.

Nays : Messrs. Burleson, Cooke, Campbell, Gage, Parker, Ward and Wallace—7. Carried.

Mr. Gage moved the Senate adjourn until 10 o'clock, Monday morning. Lost, by the following vote :

Yeas : Messrs. Brashear, Burleson, Cooke, Campbell, Gage, Kinney, Portis, Robertson, Ward and Wallace—6.

Messrs. Latimer, Portis and Gage, were appointed said committee.

Mr. Gage was excused from said committee.

On motion of Mr. Wallace, the Senate adjourned until 9 o'clock, Monday morning.

MONDAY, December 2, 1850.

The Senate was called to order by the President—Senators present : Messrs. Brashear, Burleson, Cooke, Campbell, Davis, Gage, Grimes, Hart, Kinney, Latimer, McRae, Moffett, Parker, Portis, Robertson, Truit, Van Derlip, Ward and Wallace.

The journals of Saturday were read and adopted.

A message was received from the House, informing the Senate that the House had passed the following bills :

A bill to authorize the Commissioner of the General Land Office to issue patents to the heirs of Simon Gillam, and the heirs of John Smith.

A bill to incorporate the Trinity and Galveston Navigation Company.

A bill to incorporate the Waco Male and Female Academy, in the county of McLennan ; and

Joint resolution for the relief of John C. Walling.

Also, the following bills, which originated in the Senate :

A bill to locate the seat of justice of Kaufman county;

And a bill to incorporate the town of Shelbyville, in Shelby county.

Also, that the House had passed a bill to repeal the third section of an act to amend the second and seventh sections of an act to organize the Supreme Court of the State of Texas, approved November, 1850, with amendments.

Also, joint resolution refunding to Major William S. Henry the fine imposed upon him by sentence of a Court Martial in the 9th Military Department of the United States Army; with amendments.

Also, that the House had appointed Messrs. Bryan, Burney